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HCDCH RECEIVES FEDERAL GRANT TO HELP THE HOMELESS

HONOLULU – The state Housing and Community Development Corporation of Hawaii (HCDCH) is receiving a \$1,093,802 federal grant to distribute among four social service agencies that provide supportive services and permanent housing for homeless individuals and families in Hawaii.

The grant comes from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Continuum of Care program which stresses providing permanent and transitional housing and supportive services for homeless people. Two grants were awarded to Hawaii, one to the State and the other to the City and County of Honolulu.

"The State is committed to leveraging state resources with federal resources in addressing homelessness," said HCDCH Executive Director Stephanie Aveiro. "We are grateful for the opportunities that HUD and the federal government provide in support of our community-based efforts to help our homeless attain permanent housing."

HCDCH will distribute \$361,440 for Steadfast Housing Development Corporation's Shelter Plus Care Eono project on Maui and \$349,020 for Gregory House Programs Shelter Plus Care program in Honolulu. The projects are aimed at providing permanent supportive housing for individuals and their families who are homeless and have a disability. Steadfast Housing Development Corporation will also be receiving \$100,907 to provide additional permanent supportive housing in Maui County in its Kulalani, Kaahele and Kaulana group homes for the homeless mentally ill.

Two other organizations are also receiving grants through HCDCH to provide housing and support services on Maui. Women Helping Women will get \$77,536 to provide emergency housing for victims of domestic violence and Maui Economic Concerns of the Community Inc. will receive \$204,899 to provide a literacy program, and an outpatient substance abuse program that includes job-training and family support.

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